

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please substitute the enclosed drawing sheets for the corresponding sheets currently pending.

REMARKS

An Office Action was mailed June 14, 2005. Claims 1-5 are pending, of which claims 1 and 2 are independent claims. Claims 2-5 are allowed, while claim 1 stands rejected. By the foregoing, claim 1 is cancelled. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejection.

The drawings are objected to. Replacement sheets showing references are enclosed. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the objection.

The Specification is objected to. The abstract has been corrected. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the objection.

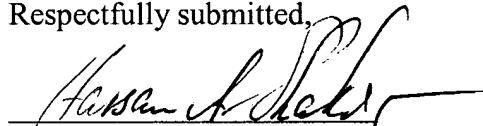
Claims 1, 2 and 5 are objected to. The requisite claims have been cancelled or amended. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the objections.

All dependent claims are allowable at least for the same reasons as the independent claim from which they depend.

In view of the remarks and amendments set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

Any fee due with this paper, including any necessary extension fee, may be charged to Deposit Account 50-1290.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hassan A. Shakir', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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